## IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE MIDDLE DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA Civil Fle No.: 1:24-CV-482-UA-JEP

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WHATABRANDS LLC,

Plaintiff,

v.

WHAT-A-BURGER #13, INC., WHAT-A-BURGER #13 LOCUST PARTNERS, LLC, WHAT-A-BURGER 13 MOBILE FOOD, LLC, WAB #13, LLC, and ZEB BOST,

MOTION TO DISMISS

Defendants.

# MOTION TO DISMISS BY DEFENDANTS WHAT-A-BURGER #13, INC., WHAT-A-BURGER #13 LOCUST PARTNERS, LLC, WHAT-A-BURGER 13 MOBILE FOOD, LLC, WAB #13, LLC AND ZEB BOST

NOW COMES all Defendants, by and through the undersigned counsel, and moves to dismiss Plaintiff's Complaint based on Rules 8(a) and 12(b)(6) of the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure for failure to state a claim upon which relief can be granted.

In support of this Motion, Defendants rely on the argument and authorities in the brief submitted contemporaneously herewith in accordance with LR7.2.

WHEEFORE, Defendants pray the Court to enter an Order:

- Dismissing Plaintiff's Complaint for failure to state a claim upon which relief maybe granted; and
- 2) Granting such other and further relief as the Court deems just and proper.

Respectfully submitted, this the 16th day of August, 2024.

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### **CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I hereby certify that on this day, I electronically filed the foregoing Motion to Dismiss, with the Clerk of Court using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to Plaintiff's Counsel:

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